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Re: Attorney Docket No. NEC0248US

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Message:

This paper is responsive to the non-final Office action dated August 24, 2004, having a shortened statutory period set to expire September 24, 2004. Attached is a copy of the Response to Restriction Requirement filed by the applicant on May 14, 2004. That Response is believed to be fully responsive to the previous Office Action. Specifically, page 2 of the Response cancels claims 11-16.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (1 page) (in duplicate); and
- (3) Response To Restriction Requirement (2 pages).

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